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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently amended) An isolated ~~mammalian~~ anti-IL-12 antibody, comprising a heavy chain variable region (V<sub>H</sub>) of the amino acid sequence set forth in at least two variable regions comprising SEQ ID NO:7 and a light chain variable region (V<sub>L</sub>) of the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:8.

2. (Previously presented) The anti-IL-12 antibody according to claim 1, wherein said antibody binds IL-12 with an affinity of at least one selected from at least 10<sup>-9</sup> M, at least 10<sup>-10</sup> M, at least 10<sup>-11</sup> M, or at least 10<sup>-12</sup> M.

3. (Currently amended) The anti-IL-12 antibody according to claim 1, wherein said antibody ~~substantially neutralizes at least one~~ an activity of ~~at least one~~ IL-12 protein.

Claims 4-8 (canceled)

9. (Currently amended) A composition comprising an isolated ~~mammalian~~ anti-IL-12 antibody having ~~at least two variable regions comprising a heavy chain variable region (V<sub>H</sub>) of the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:7 and a light chain variable region (V<sub>L</sub>) of the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:8,~~ and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

Claims 10-101 (canceled)